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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	Board of Occupational Therapy Practice
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Wednesday, July 20, 2016 at 4:30 p.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room A, Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED:	September 7, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kelly Richardson, Professional Member, President
Mara Beth Schmittering, Professional Member, Vice President
Karen Virion, Professional Member, Secretary
Evan Park, Public Member
Angelita Mosley, Public Member

MEMBER ABSENT

There were no members absent.

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Kevin Maloney, Deputy Attorney General
Jennifer Witte, Administrative Specialist II
Maria Higdon, Administrative Specialist II

OTHERS PRESENT

Frank Farrell
Dawn Stewart
Mary Rothwell
Jen Matta
Uchenna Onunkwo
Deanna Cain
Elizabeth Hunsinger
Gretchen Lowden
Tom Dudrick
Donna Polecaro
Elizabeth Downing
Kerri DeMott
Ellen Latronico

Laure Drake
Chrissy Voageley
Alice Workman
Saundra Moore
Manuela Austin
Kara Musotto
Jacqueline Galya
Janet Sliwa
Debra Young
Paula Linder
Carol Leashefski
Beth Wise
Courtney Loose

Justine Bunville
Christine Davis
Erin Basquill
Nancy Prettyman
Theresa Calibey
Kristi Watro
Varleisha Gibbs
Melanie Luft
Brittany Dallas
Alison Odie
Evyline Chioma
Stephanie Green (Luszczuk)

Marie Caron
Kim Eastburn
Geraldine Williams
Ann Randazzo
Robin Palumbo Thompson
Lisa Campbell Sligh
Chuck Willmarth
Jennifer McLaughlin
Jennifer Foskey
Jennifer Rowan
Preeti Talreja
Stephanie Duke

CALL TO ORDER

Due to a large number of attendees, the meeting was moved from Conference Room A to the PSC Conference Room. Ms. Richardson called the meeting to order at 4:43 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Schmittinger, seconded by Ms. Virion, to approve the minutes from the May 4, 2016 meeting as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Rules and Regulations Public Hearing – 4:30 p.m.

The hearing went on record at 4:44 p.m. Mr. Maloney stated the reason for today's hearing was to propose amendments to the Board's current rules and regulations. The Board members were introduced and Mr. Maloney marked as Board Exhibits 1 – 5: the News Journal affidavit of publication, the Delaware State News affidavit of publication, a June 20, 2016 letter from Mei Kwong, a July 19, 2016 letter from the American Telemedicine Association, and a July 20, 2016 letter from Chuck Willmarth with the American Occupational Therapy Association of Delaware. Mr. Maloney opened the floor for public comments which were made by Chrissy Vogeley and Chuck Willmarth, both with the AOTA. There were no further public comments. Mr. Maloney advised that the period for public comment will remain open for an additional 15 days and the Board will deliberate at its next scheduled meeting. The hearing concluded and went off record at 4:55 p.m.

Review List of Crimes Substantially Related to the Board of Occupational Therapy Practice

After a brief discussion carried over from the May 4, 2016 review of the current list of crimes related to the practice of Occupational Therapy Practice, Mr. Maloney stated that he will construct a proposed draft for the Board to review at the next scheduled meeting in September.

NEW BUSINESS

Ratify Applications for Occupational Therapist/Occupational Therapy Assistant

A motion was made by Ms. Schmittinger, seconded by Mr. Park, to ratify the approval of the following applications:

Catherine Merk (Occupational Therapist)
Traci Bruno (Occupational Therapist)
Jonathan Cook (Occupational Therapist)

Brittany Bell (Occupational Therapy Assistant)
Abigail Gilmore (Occupational Therapist)
Taryn Guyer (Occupational Therapy Assistant)
Cara Mason (Occupational Therapist)
Karen Malchione (Occupational Therapist)
Zuri Edwards (Occupational Therapist)
Karissa Null (Occupational Therapist)
Marie Schuler (Occupational Therapist)
Julie Daly (Occupational Therapist)
Danielle Laverre (Occupational Therapist)
Jody Heisler (Occupational Therapy Assistant)
Allison Lehman (Occupational Therapy Assistant)
Jennifer Rowan (Occupational Therapy Assistant)
Sarah Shell (Occupational Therapist)

The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Continuing Education Activities

A motion was made by Ms. Virion, seconded by Ms. Schmittinger, to approve the following continuing education activities as presented:

Numotion

The Ergonomic Advantage, 1 hour
Controlling the World with Your Wheelchair, 1 hour
Restraints and Wheelchair Seating and Positioning, 2 hours
The Art and Science of Seating: The Mat Evaluation, 3 hours
MWC: Optimizing Balance and Function, 3 hours
Functional Mobility for Kids, 2 hours
Power Seating Functions: Good, Better, Best, 2 hours
Well Positioned for Recovery, 2 hours
Pediatric Power Mobility, 3 hours
Pediatric Seating, 2 hours

Sharon Wong

Best Practice Presentation: CMC Arthritis, 1 hour

Delaware Technical & Community College

OTA Program Advisory Committee Meeting, 1.5 hours

Hand Rehabilitation Foundation

Surgery and Rehabilitation of the Hand 20/20, 28.25 hours

Delaware Deaf-Blind Program

The Get Permission Trust Approach to Mealtimes and Sensory Treatment, 6 hours

Delaware Occupational Therapy Association

Adult & Geriatric Special Interest Group, May 25, 2016, 1.5 hours
Adult & Geriatric Special Interest Group, June 8, 2016, 1.5 hours

CIAO Seminars

4th Annual STAR Program Connection Conference, 12.5 hours

Delaware Early Childhood Assistive Technology
fabricATe Solutions in Minutes, 6 hours

Epic Developmental Services

Foundations of Manual Therapy Practice Utilizing an Integrative Approach, 15 hours

The Art of Clinical Reasoning: Enhancing Sensory Integration Perspectives for Assessment and Intervention, 14 hours

Off We Go: An Introduction to Principles and Facilitation Utilizing Neuro-Developmental Treatment, 14 hours

Defying Gravity: Understanding and Treating Children with Hypotonia, 15 hours

Practical, Feasible and Easily Digestible..., 15 hours

Specialized Brain Gym and Ocular Motor Workshop, 15 hours

Nurses N' Kids

Promoting Independence In-Service, 1 hour for presentation
1 hour for preparation

ATI Physical Therapy

Incorporating Blood Pressure Screening in Clinic, 0.50 hour

Therapy Services of Delaware, Inc.

Tourette Syndrome and Support Services, 1 hour

Bayada Home Health Care

Diabetes Mellitus in Geriatric Rehabilitation, 3 hours

Health Coaching – A Partnership Model Gaining Momentum, 3 hours

Beebe Healthcare

You and Your Client with Dementia, 1.5 hours for Preparation and Presentation
2.5 hours for Attending

The motion was unanimously carried.

Request for Hardship

The Board was in receipt of documentation from a licensee who has experienced serious medical complications resulting in a need for a hardship request. After review, a motion was made by Ms. Virion, seconded by Ms. Schmittinger, to approve the request for a hardship, accepting the 6.5 hours that have been completed and grant an extension of time to complete the remainder of the continuing education requirement for a period of one full year beginning July 31, 2016 and ending July 31, 2017 noting that there will still be one hour required in a second category. The motion was unanimously carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board received correspondence from Virginia Stoffel with the AOTA regarding case management and its role in the healthcare system. The Board agreed that this is a topic of concern and would like to revisit in further detail at the September meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)

Ms. Witte introduced Maria Higdon as the new Administrative Specialist to the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jennifer Matta asked the Board for clarification regarding the amount of live webinars taken and what category they fall under for compliance to the continuing education requirement. Ms. Schmittinger advised that the live (interactive) webinars would count as

Chuck Willmarth made a suggestion regarding continuing education approval requests to add an area on the existing form, or on the continuing education log submitted with licensure renewal, where a licensee can elaborate on how a specific course taken is relevant to the profession of occupational therapy practice.

Jennifer Foskey asked the Board for clarification on interactive versus non-interactive courses.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 7, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. in Conference Room A, 2nd floor, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Ms. Richardson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Park, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer L. Witte

Administrative Specialist II